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UAW-CIO Extends Miami Valley Organizational Drive

Gosser Says Workers Desire Unions; Tells Of Progress

Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO Regional Director for Region 2-B, today announced extension of the Auto Workers organizational drive in the Miami Valley district where the Waco Aircraft Co. workers voted in favor of the UAW-CIO in an NLRB election on April 19.

Richard Gosser

"Indications that the other workers in the Miami district are anxious for organization lead us to believe that we can enlarge our field in this area" said Director Gosser. "We now have organizational drives at the Hobart Mfg. Co. in Troy, The Meteor Motor Car Co. and Hartzell Propeller Co. in Piqua, and the Beck Motor Coach Co. in Sidney."

Organization Progressing

Director Gosser stated that an election hearing had been petitioned on July 11 for the workers of the Meteor Motor Car Co. which employs 140 workers. "More than 80 per cent of the workers in this plant have signed up with the UAW and we expect to win this plant before long" he said.

Organizational work at the Hobart Mfg. Co. of Troy is in charge of Harold Tull who conducted the successful drive at Waco Aircraft plant. The company which manufacturers slicher and bakery equipment in peace time employs about 900 people. The AFL lost an NLRB election in October 1943, after the Troy Daily News conducted a smear campaign against the union. Similar tactics used in the Waco election missed fire this spring when the plant went UAW by a sizable majority.

Dorsey Carr, International representative attached to the office of Director Gosser is in charge of the Piqua organizational work.

Considerable opposition to the union has developed in the Beck Motor Coach Co. management.

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Canneries Need 1,400,000 Part Time Workers

WASHINGTON—(FP)— Millions of tons of fruits and vegetables to be commercially canned this summer will require 1,400,000 part time workers or 700,000 full time employes, Chairman Paul V. McNutt of the War Manpower Commission reported July 5.

Housewives and youths will be sought to volunteer for the jobs through the U. S. Employment Service. McNutt said it is more necessary this year than ever before to pack perishable fruits and vegetables for the armed services.

Major state needs follow: California 125,000; Illinois 15,000; Indiana, 30,000; Minnesota, 15,000; New Jersey, 20,000; Ohio 17,000; Oregon 23,000; Virginia 13,000; Washington 21,000; and Wisconsin, 22,000.

Pro-Labor Commentator Goes On Air

NEW YORK, July 11—(FP) — The Electronics Corp. of America, which rates star billing in labor's Believe It Or Not collection because of its friendly attitude toward unions, is in the news again.

The company is putting pro-labor radio commentator William S. Gailmor, prominent member of the Newspaper Guild of New York (CIO), on the air five nights a week. Gailmor will broadcast from 9 to 9:15 p. m. over Station WHN.

The United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers (CIO) has a contract with this company, which also sponsors a weekly broadcast by another liberal commentator, Johannes Steel, on Station WMCA.

—Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

URWDSEA Wins Local Election

Bargaining rights for employes of the Toledo Liner Co., 801 Washington St., were won by Local 363, URWSEA-CIO in an NLRB-conducted election on July 6. Results gave the CIO 49 votes, no union, 33.

Contract negotiations will be opened as soon as the case has been certified by the NLRB.

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Wage increases of five cents per hour were given workers of the Toledo Terminal Warehouse, Great Lakes Terminal Warehouse and Merchants & Manufacturers Warehouse. Wage increases amounting to seven and one-half cents per hour were given employes of the Toledo Art Museum. All are members of Locail 363.

Politicians Laugh At Labor

INDIANAPOLIS, July 11 (FP)—Warning that workers will pay an enormous price in wage losses after the war if the labor movement remains divided, President Daniel J. Tobin of International Brotherhood of Teamster (AFL) called on the AFL and CIO to resume the unity negotiations which have been idle for two years.

"Politicians do not fear labor because labor is so thoroughly divided into two camps," the head of the largest AFL international declared. His warning appeared in the July issue of The Intl. Teamster, official union organ, under the headline: Merger With CIO Vital To Labor—Politicians Laugh at Divided Labor Movement.

"What's Wrong With Labor?"

"What's wrong with the labor movement? Are we losing all our punch?" Tobin asked. "We seem to get nowhere in Washington before the present congress. Even the heads of departments just courteously listen to the representatives of the AFL and CIO and then after the labor men leave the office, they turn around and whisper: 'Well, that's the same old story. We've got them in the bag anyway.' And the representatives of labor appear before the congressional committees, and after the hearings the committees go on and make their reports, ignoring labor."

Even on issues such as subsidies to keep down the cost of living, where AFL and CIO are agreed, the politicians pay no attention to them, Tobin pointed out. "Not only that, but the labor movement is being so thoroughly crucified by adverse

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Compensation Payments Drop

COLUMBUS, O., July 10—Unemployment compensation payments in Ohio during June dropped to $90,049, lowest monthly total so far this year, it was announced here today by Administrator Charles H. Jones of the Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation. This represented a 15 per cent drop from May payments.

An average of 1,411 unemployed persons per week received benefits throughout the state during the month with payments covering 6,292 weeks of unemployment. Reflecting new unemployment during the month, only 2,199 new claims for unemployment compensation were filed with BUC offices, a decrease of 17 per cent from May, Mr. Jones added.

Four Ohio cities had no compensable unemployment during the month of June. These were Ashtabula, Ravenna, Washington C. H. and Wooster.

Benefit payments in Ohio during the first six months of this year are about one third lower than for the comparable period of last year. So far during 1944 there has been $767,888 paid in unemployment compensation in Ohio. During the first six months of 1943 payments totaled $1,101,750.

Too Good To Be True, Such A Boss!

NEW YORK—(FP)—This is about a boss on the side of the angels.

As soon as the 16 employes of the Service Quilting Co., pledged $135 to the CIO Political Action Committee, the owner of the firm, Louis Horowitz, asked if he couldn't give $50 for the same purpose.

"The work of the Political Action Committee," Horowitz explained, "serves the interests of all Americans, both workers and employers." His workers belong to Local 65, Wholesale & Warehouse Workers (CIO). And right now they are saying more bosses in the U. S. should be like their boss.

Spicer Workers Celebrate

Members of the Spicer office workers Unit of Local 12 who recently won an NLRB election, staged a victory celebration on July 8 at the TIUC headquarters, 611 Huron Street. It was a hot night, but it takes more than heat to hold down the Spicer crowd. Dancing and refreshments were enjoyed by the many members of the new Local 12 Unit.

Brass Hats Oppose WLB On Civilian Production

Nelson Seeks Gradual Increase To Take Up Employment Slack

WASHINGTON, July 10 (LPA)—(Special)—It was learned this week that six of the eight vice-chairmen of War Production Board (WPB) are on record opposing the recently announced policy of Donald Nelson, WPB chairman, to begin a gradual increase in civilian production.

In addition to opposition centering around his own agency, Nelson, who has been sick for the past few weeks, has been opposed by Army-Navy "Brass Hats". The last two weeks have seen a series of three statements from military leaders aimed at discrediting in the public mind the resumption of civilian production.

First was a statement issued by Army, Navy and Air Force leaders to President Roosevelt, on their return from the Normandy invasion coast, voicing alarm over "heavy losses" in war materials "which must be replaced. This was followed a few days later by a release from the War Department which made the flat claim that war production was lagging seriously. Lt. General Brehen Somervell then followed with a "scare" interview a few days later along the same lines, but admitting, under questioning, that "loss of material during liberation of French coast was considerably less than expected."

In flat contradiction of the "scare" statements of military officials, and at the same time the alarming statements were being made, WPB put out a report showing that in May, production had beaten schedules in practically every line of munitions, including aircraft, landing vessels, naval ships and heavy artillery.

Another report on aircraft production for June, disclosed that, contrary to claims of the "brass hats" the output of four-motor bombers and other urgent craft was ahead of schedule. Even Charles Wilson, admitted that plane production was lagging only in types "not needed."

Reason for the "scare" stories from military leaders was their unyielding opposition to WPB program aimed at making materials available for increasing civilian production. Disbelief on the part of workers of labor shortage reports has led military leaders to circulate such hysterical stories.

WASHINGTON, July 11 (LPA)—(Exclusive)— Actual orders releasing a number of critical materials for civilian use, are now circulating in WPB for final approval. It is hoped that they will be released before the return of Nelson and in time to relieve somewhat the pressure resulting from contract cutbacks.

Reuther Sees Need For 5th Freedom

ANN ARBOR, July 11—"Freedom from fear of abundance" is a Fifth Freedom without which the original Four Freedoms may be lost, Walter P. Reuther, vice-president of the UAW-CIO, told the union's Ann Arbor summer session last week.

"Until we learn not to shrink from the abundance that man and nature can provide," Reuther said, "we shall win neither freedom from want nor freedom from fear. As for the other two freedoms, speech and religion, they will be throttled if not doomed if larger masses of people are to be unemployed, frustrated, and dependent on handouts for their existence."

Declaring that so-called "free enterprise" is ducking the problem of full employment and that monopolies are preparing to restrict production in order to realize high prices and profits, the union leader called for drastic anti-monopoly measures and the promotion of non-profit enterprises which would insure correct prices.

Reuther is director of the UAW Consumer Division, which aids and fosters the formation of consumer cooperatives among UAW members. To a question by Edward J. Duck, of Toledo, he replied, "When you Toledo people are ready to go (on co-ops) the Consumer Division is ready to go along with you."

—Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Chase Stockholders Prosper

NEW YORK (FP)—With total deposits at $4,677,872,688 and total resources at $4,990,182,843, the Chase Natl. Bank in its mid-year report set a record for any commercial bank in the world.

Net earnings were $1.23 per share of stock, compared with 98c a share for the same period last year, after expenses and taxes are deducted. Doesn't sound like much, but $1.23 a share runs up to $9,134,000 net earnings for six months.

Tribune Goes Patriotic---Again!

CHICAGO (FP) — Chicago Tribune's contribution to a patriotic July 4 was to kill all war job help wanted ads in order to conserve paper. Neither the editorial page nor the comics were touched.

Labor Asks For Deputies

WASHINGTON, July 10 — LPA — (Exclusive)—The Labor Policy Committee of the Office of Price Administration (OPA) this week sent to OPA Administrator Bowles, a request for a deputy administrator for and from labor. They proposed that the deputy administrator would be chosen by agreement between CIO, AFL and the Railway Brotherhoods.

This request has been turned down by Bowles on the grounds that if one is granted to labor, industry will demand a deputy administrator.

The labor committee memorandum to Bowles, likewise called for district labor officers for the 93 district offices. The committee pointed out that in every region there is either a labor man or a vacancy for one, but that only three districts have such labor officers.

The function of these district labor officials would be to speak to the district OPA director for labor, take up complaints, and represent labor's voice in general in matters of local and national policy.

One OPA official has stated that labor should have a voice inside OPA, for "organized labor is the only friend OPA has."

—Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Barristers To Have Closed Shop

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (FP) —Missouri lawyers are going to operate on a closed shop basis. The state supreme court ordered that every lawyer who practices in the state must belong to the State Bar Assn.

Money Talks —About Postwar Jobs

BRETTON WOODS, N. H. — (FP)—Money experts tossing billion dollar figures around in fancy language communiques at the United Nations financial conference here are really talking about jobs at decent pay after the war. Their deliberations should also help prevent commercial rivalries that may result in future wars, Pres. Roosevelt told 150 delegates of 44 United Nations at the opening session.

American labor, in its post-war programs, has stressed international trade as the way to full employment in the U. S. The delegates and more than 500 technical experts will try to work out details during the greater part of July.

Nearly a dozen committees have been established, the major ones instructed to plan an eight billion dollar "world stabilization fund" and a 10 billion dollar postwar "world bank" which will admit other than United Nations.

To Promote Trade

The principal purpose of both the fund and the bank will be to make foreign trade easier for all nations, and to keep employment and real income at the highest possible level in all countries.

The fund would buy currency which would be designed to keep up the currency value and to prevent, for instance, the kind of international price cutting Japan did before the war — which cost American, British and other workers their jobs.

The fund would also help temporarily nations that, after the war, have to buy more

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Drop In Jobs Is Predicted

DETROIT—(FP) — "Unless Hitler proves a lot tougher picking than first reports from the battlefronts of Normandy would indicate, a drop around 30% in war employment will hit Detroit by the end of August," writes Research Director James H. Wishart of the United Auto Workers (CIO) in the first issue of The CIO Councilor, official organ of the Greater Detroit & Wayne County Industrial Union Council.

"The 750,000 war workers in Detroit factories will face no unemployment in the summer of 1944," he says, but "recent reshufflings of the war production load for this city" point to the 30% drop at the end of August.

Wishart predicts cutbacks in machineguns and shells of less than 105 mm. and an overall cut of up to 15% in the next three months in aircraft, except the B-29 and certain other "hot jobs."

Some reduction in diesels and light landing barges is also likely and in various miscellaneous light items.

On the other hand increased output is likely, at least through August, he says, in tanks, heavy trucks, heavy artillery and large shells.

"Clearly the immediate situation requires the adoption of policies for transferring workers from cutback plants to high priority plants without cuts in wages," Wishart maintains. He joins UAW Pres. R. J. Thomas in demanding "real planning for reconversion," including adoption of the Kilgore reconversion bill, now stalled in the vacationing congress.

NAM Talks Union Busting

WICHITA, Kas., July 10 (FP) —A meeting called by the National Association of Manufacturers to consider means of "solving postwar unemployment problems" couldn't keep its mind on its agenda here, and after a few passes at the subject degenerated into a discussion of the "urgent need" for a law to check labor unions.

NAM speakers led a 1½-hour discussion of how good unions are but how unfortunate it is that they "breed racketeers." Agreeing that something should be done about these unions, the assemblage of six ministers, five lawyers, two physicians and 36 businessmen, most of the latter from the east, adjourned for two weeks. The job question could wait.

Freedom Of The Labor Press

NEW YORK, July 11 (FP) — Even the boss can have his say, uncesonred, in New Voices, organ of Local 65, Wholesale & Warehouse Workers (CIO)

This union newspaper announced it will have a new column in its next issue, "Our Employers Say" prepared by the Assn. of Uptown Converters, Inc., whose employes are members of Local 65.

Now all we need is a commercial daily that will let a union speak its piece.

Labor Wants Conversion Plan, Says Schultz in Talk

Labor's interest in a conversion plan now was voiced in a radio talk by President Melvin Schultz of Local 12, UAW-CIO, over station WTOL Sunday, July 9.

Stating that the only definite plan for reconversion to civilian production has come from the Auto Workers, Mr. Schultz expressed the opinion that the plan would not receive any more attention than the Reuther plan for conversion to defense work prior to the war.

Calling attention to the war production cutbacks which he said would result in the laying off of approximately 2,000,000 workers by the first of the year, Mr. Schultz said that "as things now stand, the sudden coming of peace could be as great a shock to our economy as the Japs sneak attack on Pearl Harbor was to our national security. We are as unprepared for peace as we were for war, and apparently, as unconcerned."

Mr. Schultz expressed the view that the workers would like to see a manpower shortage come of peace as well as during war and said that he believed that the country was full of potential abundance waiting for the workers to transform it into goods for consumers. He said that without a plan for prompt reconversion, we would be inviting a repetition of what had occurred during the depression.

"If America returns to conditions as they were before the war, we shall have won the war and lost the peace. There can be no peace when nations are full of idle disgruntled people" said Mr. Schultz.

"Labor recognizes that production cutbacks must take place as the war nears its victorious conclusion, yet the need for maintaining the workers still exists. We recognize the need for projects to absorb those who are laid off in war production plants and the need for a rapid transition to peacetime production."

In concluding his talk, Mr. Schultz said, "we advocate the UAW-CIO conversion program, a program, which were it followed would be of great value to the postwar morale of the workers and help bolster the economic structure of the country. Labor is awake. It is going to be insistent that the let-down following the war not constitute a major economic disaster. It is going to stick to its program of full employment at high wages, now, and after the war."

IMPORTANT

Randolph Gray, Local 12 financial secretary has asked the Units to observe the following requests in the delegate elections. 1. Each Unit is ask to supply its own ballot boxes. 2. In submitting the names of the nominees to Local 12, please see that the full name of the nominee is properly spelled. Also please state the nominee's shop and his latest badge number.

Compliance with the procedure outlined above will facilitate the handling of elections and preparation of delegate credentials.

Grand Rapids Chosen For UAW-CIO Convention

The Ninth Annual Convention of the UAW-CIO will be held in Grand Rapids, Mich., beginning Sept. 11, according to the convention call which was received by Local 12 on July 3.

Political action will be the dominant note of this year's convention with the delegates expected to make an endorsement for the presidency. Last year's Buffalo convention did not make any endorsement.

Many other issues will come before the convention in addition to constitutional changes and election of officers. Most important of the issues will be labor's no-strike pledge, which has been reaffirmed by the UAW-CIO at two previous conventions.

Other important questions which will be discussed are price control, War Labor Board, reconversion planning, full employment in the postwar period, guaranteed annual income, increased social security and many other important questions.

Sessions this year are not expected to last over one week. Inasmuch as conditions are about the same as last year, the convention will make every endeavor to wind up its business by Sunday, September 11, and adjourn. Last year the executive board passed a resolution to end the convention at the end of one week.

Local 12 Units have been notified by President Melvin Schultz of the convention call and advised of the UAW constitutional provisions for the election of delegates. Delegates must be elected by secret ballot. Each shop is entitled to one delegate for each 200 members or less, and one additional delegate for the next 300 members or major fraction thereof.

Amalgamated Units with less than 150 members will meet at Local 12 headquarters, Tuesday, July 18, at 8 p. m., to nominate delegates and set a date for their election. Many of the larger Units already have set their nomination dates and will soon elect their delegates.

In his letter to the Units, President Schultz advised them that, due to wartime conditions, there was only sufficient housing available in Grand Rapids to accommodate the delegates. The Local is attempting to secure as many reservations as possible and is making every effort to avoid the chaotic conditions which prevailed in Buffalo last year due to a housing shortage in that city.

CIO and AFL Plan Against Future Cutbacks

WASHINGTON, July 11 (LPA)—(Exclusive)—The AFL Metal Trades Department and the CIO Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers, in the near future, will present to War Production Board (WPB) a program on which there is common agreement for protection of shipyard workers as cutbacks in the shipbuilding program take place.

Washington sources indicate that it is not expected that the program will be an immediate one, but is an effort of the unions involved to take advance steps to protect their memberships.

The long range program provides, among other things:

(1) For the reallocation of contracts to maintain a manpower balance between the various yards. The aim is to even out production between the various yards so that cutbacks do not hit either one yard or section of the country harder than another. This proposal means that for the first time in the government's shipbuilding program there will have to be coordination in the handling of contracts by the several government agencies which have been building ships.

(2) When substantial cutbacks begin, there will be, first, the elimination of the graveyard shifts, where production is lowest. This is then to be followed by reducing the length of shifts from 10 to 8 hours. A third step then will be the abolition of the second shift and the institution of the 40-hour week.

(3) At least 60 days notice of cutback or cancellation of contract must be given to both organized labor and management by the government agencies involved.

It is understood that this program will be presented shortly to the Production Executive Committee of WPA which, under direction of War Mobilization Director Byrnes, makes final decisions on cutbacks.

Whitney Assails Rail Brotherhoods In Report On Wartime Wage Talks

WASHINGTON (FP)—In a 228 page report on "Wartime Wages and Railroad Labor" detailing with exhibits and tables the 1942-43 wage movement of the transportation Brotherhoods, Pres. A. F. Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated) unleashed a critical attack upon the leadership of the Railway Labor Executives Assn. (AFL). Printed copies of Whitney's report reached here July 3 and may be obtained from his office, Standard Bldg., Cleveland 13, O.

Whitney devoted a large section to what he called an expose of the disunity in the railroad unions in the hope that the memberships "armed with the facts, will eventually settle the issue."

Two Charges

The BRT president fired two general charges at his former colleagues: 1) "That the AFL unions of the Railway Labor Executives Assn. are strictly employer-conscious in their policies, that is, the RLEA is conservative if not reactionary in its policies, and not aggressively labor. 2) That D. B. Robertson, president, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen & Enginemen; H. W. Frazier, president, Order of Railway Conductors and T. C. Cashen, president, Switchmens Union of North America, are not acting as independent heads of operating railroad unions but as mere subalterns of the RELA, which is dominated not by unions with operating interests and understanding of operating problems, but by non-operating groups.

"Their policies are therefore quite frequently not in the interest of the transportation workers they represent, but weighted by considerations of high policy and high politics of the RLEA, in which the autonomy of their respective Brotherhoods has been to all intents and purposes submerged."

Switchmen Can't Pay

Whitney alleged that the Switchmens union is now so small it cannot pay Pres. Cashen's reasonable expenses "while he hangs around Washington acting as chairman of the RLEA" and that to a less extent the presidents of the RLF&E and the ORC "have turned in recent years more and more to the RLEA to fortify their crumbling prestige as labor leaders.

"The railroad transportation Brotherhoods are thus split into two groups: 1—the BLF&E, ORC and SUNA, whose members are now only labor waifs being fed by the powerful AFL Railway Employes Dept., and 2—the strong and independent Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the BRT. I am not attacking the AFL as such. I am merely stating the fact that Messrs. Robertson, Fraser and Cashen have secrificed and soid out their respective members to the AFL—and, in the case of the Firemen and Conductors, without giving them a chance to join it.

"In a joint wage movement with these three Brotherhoods, such as we have concluded, I am sure that members will realize that it is most difficult to obtain a meeting of minds with the leaders of 3 organizations whose heads are not their own. If the BRT, in the course of this wage movement, could have dealt with the AFL authorities directly, without having to bother with Messrs. Robertson, Fraser and Cashen, then more reliable understandings might have been reached. It is always more satisfactory to deal with principals."

"Whitney said a practice grew up with the RLEA "whereby the leaders of the RLEA would make legislative deals with the carriers," and he recalled that the RLEA, over "the vigorous protest of the BRT, succeeded in amending the Railway Labor Act, outlawing the closed shop in the railroad industry," and that BRT members "will understand my amusement when in 1942 the RLEA unions demanded a closed shop contract with the carriers. . . Their open shop policies of the 30's came home to roost in the 40's and their plea was denied.

Defending Pres. Roosevelt's wage award, Whitney said it gave the Brotherhoods "all that we could reasonably expect under existing conditions," and more than "the carriers had offered during the Washington conferences." He then spent several pages criticizing the weekly paper "Labor", official organ of the AFL railway unions, which he terms the "mouthpiece of the Three Blind Mice" — Robertson, Fraser and Cashen.

Truth Denied to GI's

WASHINGTON, JULY 10 — LPA — (Exclusive) — One of the very highest of high government officials recently received a request from a soldier connected with the staff of "Stars and Stripes',' asking for a general story giving the truth on strikes in the United States. This official, after consulting with several labor officials and other government agencies to obtain the facts, wrote the story. He, of course, stressed the few strikes that have actually taken place and called for soldiers to understand what was happening on the home front.

The story was never carried in "Stars and Stripes" despite the fact that the official in question was a presidential appointee, well known to the average American housewife.

CINCINNTI (FP)—Revolting members of the United Mine Workers (unaffiliated) who are campaigning for autonomy in the 21 UMW districts where officers are appointed planned a convention fight against Pres. John L. Lewis in a strategy conference attended by 100 delegates representing 14 districts.

Transit Line Opens All Jobs To Negro Workers

WASHINGTON, July 11. — (FP)—As an example of how the Fair Employment Practice Committee can work and how real unions can operate with it to get things done, the Philadephia Transportation Co. was cited as an example July 10.

The PTC announced that it will accept all qualified applicants for employment "without regard to the applicant's race, creed, color or national origin" in compliance with the war manpower commission's stabilization plan which requires acceptance of applicants referred through the U. S. employment service.

After previously refusing to accept an FEPC directive asking the Philadelphia street car and bus lines to cease discrimination against Negro employes, the new announcement amounts to its acceptance.

Rejected Request

The company's original rejection of the FEPC request for a policy of non-discrimination was based on its contention that a contract with the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Employes Union forbade it.

Then the Transport Workers Union (CIO) won a company-wide election before the NLRB and the workers recently ratified a new contract between the CIO union and the company that resulted in the company's change of heart. Now any workers may apply for a transfer to a better position. Negroes now may be advanced to any job, including the operation of street cars and busses.

Recreation Places Overwhelmed

COLUMBUS, July 8. — The July Fourth vacation period saw the Ohio recreation areas overwhelming with pleasure seekers. War conditions have so curtailed touring that thousands of Buckeye residents who formerly made off for far places for their vacation periods are now contenting themselves nearer home—and most of them are finding that Ohio offers features and facilities they did not know existed.

Reports received by Conservation Commissioner Don Waters and the Lakes and Parks Section of the Division of Conservation indicate that reservations for cottage and hotel accomodations at the pleasure resorts are booked ahead to the end of the season, with thousands of requests being doomed to denial. The season winds up pretty generally on Labor Day.

Labor Enemies Nominated

ATLANTA, Ga. (FP)—Southern Democratic primaries, from which Negroes were barred, on Indepedent Day returned to office three enemies of organized labor, Sen. Walter F. George, and Rep. Eugene E. Cox of Georgia and Rep. John E. Rankin of Mississippi.

WAVES in Action...*Teaching Gunnery*

OFFICIAL U. S. NAVY PHOTOGRAPH

Seated in turrets identical to those they will occupy as gunners on warplanes. Navy men are now being taught by Navy women (WAVES) to shoot 50-calibre machine guns with deadly accuracy. Wearing headphones linking her to the pupil in the turret, the WAVE expert—officially Specialist (G)—sits at the rear of the turret, observes the spraying of bullets on the high-speed target and corrects the marksmanship of the gunner. Shown above is one of the many training turrets in use at the Naval Air Gunners School at Hollywood, Fla. This is only one of the vital jobs done by WAVES. Navy Recruiting Stations and Offices of Naval Officer Procurement have full information about the Navy for young women between 20 and 36 and without children under 18.

CIO Names Reconversion Committee For Nation

WASHINGTON, uly -- (FP)—While the national reconversion dispute moved toward the White House for settlement July 10, the CIO announced that it had formed a Reconversion Committee under the chairmanship of Ted F. Silvey, formerly of Ohio. WPB Chairman Donald M. Nelson, backed up by his vice-chairman for labor, is insisting on a limited civilian production immediately to take up the slack in industry from cutbacks in war production. Nelson is being vigorously opposed by others on his staff and the army and navy chiefs of staff.

One favorable factor is believed to be the undercover support of War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes for the Nelson-labor plan.

The new CIO committee met over the last week end and considered the current controversy over the use of manpower, materials and facilities for civilian goods manufacture where not needed for war production.

Committee Members

With Silvey as chairman-director, the new committee includes: Harold J. Ruttenberg, Aluminum & Steelworkers; Lincoln Fairley, Automobile-Aircraft Workers; Gladys Dickason, Amalgamated Clothing Workers; Leo Goodman, United Retail Wholesale & Department Store Workers; Tom Owens, Rubber Workers; Michael Ross, Shipbuilding Workers; and John Edelman, Textile Workers. A representative of the Mine Mill & Smelter Workers is to be named and the committee will meet here every Thursday.

Donald Nelson's order of June 18, supported by all sections of organized labor and the Smaller War Plants corp., but resisted by big business and the military procurement agencies, provides 1) for the making of experimental models; 2) permits manufacturers to purchase machine tools and production machinery; 3) allows a wider use of present huge stocks of aluminum and magnesium where manpower is available; and 4) permits civilian goods production in local situations, especially where military procurement agencies cancel orders and provide no new work.

Plan Offers Protection

The whole plan is surrounded by complete protection controls to assure that none of our nation's effort or resources sall go into civilian production, in any area where men, materials or facilities are needed for prosecution of the war.

The plan calculates the prevention of unemployment which more and more is following contract cutbacks and cancella- production after the fall of Germany is publicly admitted to be 30% but privately recognized to be 50%.

WPB Chairman Nelson's order for the 4 permissions is designed to gradualize the change over. Clinton S. Golden and Joseph Keenan—the 2 labor vice-chairmen off the WPB—have with Maury Maverick, Smaller War Plants Corp., emphasized that Nelson's order is best for war production as well as good for civilian production and the prevention of future unemployment.

"The failure to take action creates fear and uncertainties," they state. "Forced idleness of plants and men, in the face of available materials, is a most demoralizing factor. . . . Any delay aggrevates the size of the problems which will have to be faced in the future.

"War workers, anxious about future employment, remain on the line turning out more and more military goods, when they have assurance — such as Nelson's order gives — that other jobs are being readied wherever the pipelines of military production are full."

Money Talks

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goods than they can pay cash for. It would, in effect, lend them money until they could pay off out of the goods they manufacture when they get on their feet again. High tariffs and other trade restrictions would come under attack from the fund and world bank.

The issues involved in the monetary conference here bear on American politics, too. Isolationists want U. S. to set up high tariff barriers and try to produce everything it consumes, at the same time doing a lone-wolf act in the field of international trade.

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legislation within several states and by the national lawmakers that the situation is becoming exceedingly dangerous," he warned.

"Perhaps we need new leadership that has the courage and the interest of the workers at heart to such an extent that they will, if necessary, sacrifice themselves in order to accomplish the things that labor needs," he said, predicting: If we are more bitterly punished and crucified by adverse legislation, then labor will become solidified and those who have selfish reasons in keeping us divided, those who are so unreasonable as not to be willing to give way to some extent on certain issues will have to be given back seats and taken from the positions of power and influence that some of them hold today."

Pointing out that no meeting of the AFL and CIO unity negotiating committees has been held for 23 months, the IBT head appealed to every teamster to talk to members of the CIO "in frindliness" and contact their officers to get negotiations for a merger resumed.

"Every man and woman carrying trade union membership can be helpful in this," Tobin said. "And remember, you are doing it for yourself and your fellow workers, because when this war is over unless we have a unified labor movement, you and all of your associates will pay an enormous price to hold anything like the conditions in wages and hours that you now enjoy."

Nye Race Hinges On GI Vote

FARGO, N. D. (FP) — The campaign of united labor, farmers and win-the-war businessmen to get rid of isolationist Senator Gerald P. Nye has made the North Dakota Republican primary race so close that its winner will not be known until July 27, the last day for counting soldier votes.

Unofficial tabulations July 1 gave Nye the narrow lead of 953 votes over former American Legion Commander Lynn U. Stambaugh, while labor's candidate, Representative Usher L. Burdick, gaining rapidly in the farm precincts, stood only 3,000 votes behind Nye. With 30 of the state's 2251 precincts to come in, the county stood; Nye, 38,082; Stambaugh, 37,129; Burdick, 34,997.

It is still possible for any of the three to win the Republican nomination for senator, since there are 8,555 soldier ballots outstanding. Postponement of the final date for counting soldier votes to July 27—10 days later than was originally announced—delays the official decision until one month after the election itself, though the present count shows Nye the most probable winner.

Burdick and the coalition of CIO, AFL, railroad brotherhoods and the National Farmers Union, which flooded city and rural precincts with "No for Nye" this spring, will throw their support to Democratic candidate John Moses in the fall if Nye wins the Republican nomination. And many of the GOP businessmen who supported Stambaugh on win-the-war grounds may also back the Democratic candidate against the isolationist senator. Moses, a Roosevelt administration man, was three times elected governor.

Drive

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President C. D. Beck has agreed to meet with the union to discuss an election, but it is doubtful if he will agree to a consent election in view of his statement that if any machinery is broken or damaged in his plant he will hold the union responsible.

Workers in the Beck plant are laughing at President Beck's statement, because they point out that some of the machinery is so old that it is ready to fall apart without anyone helping it. They are saying that it looks like the company wants the union to pay for some new machinery which they agree is badly needed.

Await Conciliator

Negotiations at the Waco plant under Harold Tull have struck a temporary lull due to issues in dispute. Conciliation will hear the testimony on issues involving retroactivity, vacations, arbitration, contract termination, maintenance of membership, checkoff, certain seniority clauses and sick leaves.

Local 480, Waco Aircraft, has established its regular meeting date for the second Sunday of each month. Meetings are held at 2:00 p. m. at the IOOF Hall.

In summing up the activities of the UAW in Troy and vicinity, Director Gosser said, "we are going to work hard to get the shops in these towns organized, because we know the people want and need organization. We know that we can do a great amount of good for the workers in these places in helping them get their wages, working conditions and security improved. What the workers in the smaller industrial towns do now is going to have a great effect upon their welfare after the war is over. If they are organized, they will be able to meet the postwar period in better shape were they to remain unorganized."

Protest Deadlocked Negotiations

CAMDEN, N. J. (FP—Twenty-six thousand members of Local 1, Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers (CIO), protested stalemated negotiations between thei union and the New York Shipbuilding Corp. in a mass demonstration, held before the morning shift in order not to violate the no-strike pledge.

What Every CANVASSER Should Know

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of articles prepared by the CIO Political Action Committee. Copies may be secured by writing the Committee, 205 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

Before you ring the first doorbell, think this over:

You can always get people interested in what you are going to say, if they are interested in the topic.

And all people are interested in themselves their families and their friends. When you go to see them start off with a very immediate problem which bothers them, their families and their friends. In all likelihood, it is the same problem that bothers you. At your Community Organizational meetings, you should decide on what are the local problems of greatest concern to you just now. First you talk to a friend or your closest neighbor about the problem. Then you have the support of another member in the community who thinks as you do. That is your opening:

"I have just been talking with Mary Mitchell—you know, she's in Apartment 5-A (or: she's my next-door neighbor at 2511)—and we both felt that something ought to be done about the cost of living being so high when wages are frozen."

Don't try to lay down the law as to what ought to be done. Try to gain your neighbor's confidence. Draw them out. Let them express their opinions. Let them make suggestions on how the problem ought to be handled.

Remember to make your first visit brief. Don't expect to accomplish too much in one visit.

The visit of the canvasser should not interfere with family affairs. If the family is at the dinner table, or the baby is being bathed, or they have visitors, you should excuse yourself and leave. Before leaving you may set a time when to call again.

Leave them smiling, so that they will welcome you the next time you ring their doorbell.

Whatever else you do, or fail to do, during the first visit, or any visit after that: *Never get into an argument with the people you approach.* An argument will close their minds to what you have to say. And it will shut their door to you, when next time you are at their door.

You will be most successful if, each time you ring a doorbell, you have some very definite job to accomplish. You may want to ask the people to sign a soldier's vote application, sign a draft-Roosevelt card, a petition to Congress on some national issue, or a petition to the governor or mayor on some local issue.

Magazine Sent Free To Service Men

COLUMBUS, July 11—Oliver Hartley, editor of The Ohio Conservation Bulletin, the Division of Conservation's official magazine dealing with hunting, fishing and conservation matters generally, announces that the magazine will be sent to a limited number of service men or women overseas, on personal request from prospective recipients, as required by the Government.

The subscriptions are being financed by the League of Ohio Sportsmen and individual contributors who wish to bring pleasure to the sport lovers now tied up in the grim business of war far from home. A $10 check from Capt. Jack Preble was received from Italy for this fund after he found how much the magazine, and other sportsmen's periodicals, are appreciated by "the boys over there." It is suggested that home folk advise their sons and daughters who love outdoor Ohio how they may receive The Bulletin where ever they may be sent. They may send their requests direct, or through family connections here in Ohio.

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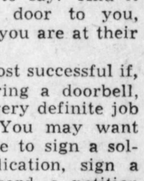

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Real Estate Sold Under Lease Option	859,679.34	Contingent Profits (On Real Estate sold.)	156,227.17
Second Mortgages and Notes (Carried at $1.00 each. Face value $59,108.35.)	152.00	Contingent Interest Earnings (On Unfinished transactions.)	233.64
Insurance and Taxes Advanced (For borrowers.)	3,429.76	Due Borrowers and Others (On unfinished loans, etc.)	10,734.34
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Seeing Eye—W-O Unit

We suppose most of you have been wondering what happened to this column in the past two issues. Well, two fine articles were submitted during Ollie's vacation, and they must have been lost, strayed or misplaced and cannot be found.

How many of you let the heat keep you away from Friday night's meeting. Well, you surely missed out on a humdinger of a speech by our one and only Brother Dick Gosser. Yes, it was partly politics and part contract, but what of it? No matter what he talks about it is attraction enough for the lifewires of the WO unit. He is 100 per cent right in his explanation of whom we should vote for in the November election if we want to survive after this war as the NAM and Chamber of Commerce are out to rook you of everything you have gained under FDR.

Stop being an ostrich every time anyone asks you if you have registered and are able to vote. It's too bad all our boys are over there fighting because if they were home they would ask you, Don't you love your union and what it stands for, and its request to you to vote for friends of labor and keep our labor free. If you have not registered, do so at once at 217 Superior St., next to Esquire Theater Also join the CIO Committee for Political Action. It only costs a small fee. For information call 688.

Do not forget the special meeting July 17, first and third shift at 8 p. m., second shift at 10 a. m., 425 Winthrop St., for nominating delegates to UAW Convention.

Irene Torsak surely must have been warm the other day. She was barefooted about all day. Oh, well, we don't blame her any. Everyone was warm and, after all, it WAS a pretty hot day.

We're sorry to hear Margaret Goans had to take a sick leave. We hope to see you back real soon, Margaret, so hurry up and get well.

Ella Gidert was really kept busy at the Spring Frolic serving beer. It's a good thing Ella doesn't drink beer herself, as she would not have had a chance to anyway.

We can all imagine how happy Cloetta Rossler was to see her son when he came home on furlough for a few weeks.

Those guys in the gage room seem to have a pretty good time on their lunch hour lately, since they've got that radio in there.

DEPT. 581

Mr. Shaw, formerly one of our Navy inspectors, now serving in the U. S. Army, paid the department a visit while he was home on a furlough. It seemed good to see him again. Quite a change, too.

The girls really had a lot of fun in the projector room those two days. Sally Millward was in there with them, and by the way, I'm surprised at you, Agnes Pawelczak. Now we know the real Agnes. WOW!!!

Most of the girls must have really enjoyed their vacation over the Fourth. They left here Saturday full of vim and vigor and came back Wednesday looking pretty well done up. But then I guess a lot of them got caught up on some of that awful housecleaning—oh, dear!!

We've been wondering why it is that Eleanor Rachuba, Dorothy Machejazyk and Genevieve (Jeanette) Zalewska hurry so fast to get down to the second floor on their lunch period every day. I guess we'll just have to keep wondering. Which reminds me: Eleanor Rachuba has taken a one-week leave. We're also wondering about that, young lady.

We're anxious to see the pictures that were taken in the department last week. Some of the girls were operating the machines and working on the spin tester and projectors while the pictures were being taken.

We're warning all the girls in the department never to ask Janina Bronowski for a bite of her pie. If you do, you'll probably get a bigger bite than you can swalow and your face might get a little smeared up, too.

P. S.: Dear Janina, we sure hope you like our coffee, honey.

Penalizes Strikers

WASHINGTON—(FP)—With the labor members dissenting, the National War Labor Board July 10 denied maintenance of membership and check-off provisions to a Tennessee local union because of a strike.

The case involved the Harriman Manufacturing Co., Harriman, Tenn. and District 50, United Mine Workers (unaffiliated). The strike was a 2 day affair over alleged delay by the regional board in acting on the union contract.

The Waggin' Tongue *Of Local 12*

RECIPE

We received the following recipe from Lloyd "Lefty" Stanks, who is one of the many men in the U. S. Navy, and who is (censored) sailing the open sea beyond the three mile limit.

"Take one civilian, slightly green. Stir from bunk at an early hour. Soak in shower daily. Dress in a blue jacket. Mix with others of his kind.

"Grate on the chief's nerves. Toughen with booting. Add liberal portions of beans and soup. Season with wind, rain and snow. Sweeten from time to time with chocolate bars. Let smoke occasionaly.

"Bake in 110 degrees temperature, simmer and let cool below zero. Serves 130,000,000 people."

Lefty's brother Johnny is with the U. S. Army and also somewhere over there. Both boys hail from the Canco Unit, Local No. 12.

FLAG WAVING?

The 5th War Loan Drive ended last Saturday and we are certain that you bought your share. But we must remember to keep on buying, because our boys are still fighting and need our support.

Those of us at home, who might be too young, too old, 2-B, too fat, or 4-F, should be grateful (or perhaps disappointed) that we don't have to march like the infantry, ride like the cavalry, shoot like artillery, or fly over Germany.

(You may call it Flag Waving or Lincoln's Gettysburg address, but it's only our way of pushing the point HOME.—the place our fighting men are yearning to come back to.)

Buy Bonds and Hold 'Em!

DON'T BELIEVE IT!

For the past four days we've been on a quiz program. Much to our disgust, approximately thirty males have called on the telephone to ask if we would be good enough to give them our address. Really, we're sorely tempted to record the answer, and everytime the telephone rings play the record on a phonograph. Incidentally, not one female asked for similar information.

DON'T ASK US

Why Clayton Rusch never buys a pack of cigarettes anymore?

Whether kisses have the same effect over the telephone?

Who received 'em that way?

Who cribbed the expression "That's for sure?"

Who is typing 2½ page chain letters to a certain "Gerty?"

Why some folk's think that Elmer Thomas of Utah will be FDR's running mate?

Or why Governor Dewey would stand a much better chance of attaining the presidency with Safety Director Ed DeAngelo as his partner, rather than Gov. Bricker?

CHAIRMAN

Emil Lindhorst, that genial gentleman who presides over the Local 12 refreshment emporium has been named as unofficial chairman of all Local 12 Units — before and after meetings. Those who have union, financial or other troubles are urged to pour their woes, into Emil's ever-willing ear. He may not be interested in what you say, but he will gladly stop and pretend to listen because his feet hurt him something terrible.

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Burny Zawodny is enjoying his vacation in company with some of Toledo's better known business men and newspaper executives. He is taking a delightful trip via water and expects to come home with the usual line of fish stories if not with the fish. Oh for the life of a plutocrat.

UAW Wants Planned Conversion

LOS ANGELES (FP)—Disclosing that there have been widespread hidden pay cuts and 30,000 silent layoffs in west coast plane plants in the last 90 days, the United Auto Workers (CIO) sent Regional Director Lew H. Michener to Washington to tell a congressional hearing how planned reconversion can maintain both jobs and wages and mobilized to combat management maneuvers in the plants and union halls.

Unions Condemn GOP Labor Plank

WASHINGTON (FP)—Leaders of the AFL, CIO, railroad brotherhoods and Natl. Farmers Union declared their condemnation of the labor plank in the Republican party's 1944 platform adopted at the Chicago convention. Sole praise of the GOP labor plank came from headquarters of Pres. John L. Lewis of United Mine Workers (unaffiliated).

National *Supply Unit*

Editor's Note: Shorty Sager has returned from his backyard vacation and is in the pink. Looking at his red face, we can understand how a green lobster feels when it gets dunked in boiling water.

ORCHIDS

Orchids to Johnny McKnight who wrote this column last week and did a swell job of it. Johnny really did a fine job. I will try and measure up to his humor and style of writing in the future. Thanks again again Johnny.

SAYS JOHNNY

Think nothing of it, Shorty old chum (p.) It was a pleasure. Maybe you can appreciate now how the fellow felt who missed a choir practice and was told by choir-master when he showed up on the next occasion, "now we know what's wrong with the choir." So the fellow said, "I was gonna tell you. I quit."

As for measuring up to my humor and style. Don't do it Shorty or you'll be in hot water all the time.

Your pal,
Johnny.

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PICNIC

Comes the big day, Sunday, July 16 when our Unit will stage its annual picnic at Shady Shores. Refreshments, ice cream and other things for the kiddies and plenty of stronger refreshments for the grownups. Prizes for contests amounting to $100 will be given away to the lucky contestants. Mr. Williams has donated the prizes.

To get to Shady Shores drive out the East River Road through Perrysburg five miles beyond Ft. Meighs. If these directions don't suit you get a road map.

Come early with your picnic lunches and stay late. You'll surely have a swell time and you're more than welcome.

AROUND THE SHOP

Jack Felers, Dept. 86 recently shoved the bull of the precipice, or, as they say it in the Mc Knight style, "got the knot tied." Our only worry is what Jack is going to do about his "fishing" trips. Explain that one will yuh?

Can it be possible that Danny Gilmore is Rose Manerra's new heart interest?

Roy Trimmer of our shop now working in Uncle Sam's Army was home on furlough. He is stationed at Inglewood, Calif.

Nadine Morrison of dept. 30 has returned to work after being on the sick list for five week. Hi Nadine. Glad to see you back again.

One for our believe it or not dept. Harvey Gowman, dept. 38 is going to invest in another pair of trousers. This time, he hopes they will be pinup pants for sure. (That a joke you dopes).

The boys in dept. 86 claim Clyde "Railroad Sully" switched that car into the Navy building and sidetracked himself. That's humorous.

Another good man who took those fatal steps up the altar and said "I do" is Leo Allen of dept. 86. Too bad kid; but we still wish you a lot of luck and hope you will always be just as crazy about the little woman as you were on that fatal day. Felicitations to the bride also.

A long step was taken by one of our good brothers who had a chain tossed over his shoulder and stepped from the boat to the dock when the ship was still 20 or more feet away from the landing. Instead of drowning, he came up with the chain and a carp in each pocket. The name is Kenny—I think—and that's really amusin, even if it was confusin.

Johnny Dynes is leaving his whiskers grow on the theory that what keeps out the cold keeps out the heat.

Howard Campbell is going in a four day fishing trip. We hope he does some fishing. (That's not humorous).

Jack Hennessy, dept. 86 has become an old man. He now answers to the name of grandpaw.

That's all the Sager wit and humor for one week, and I hope you won't miss my rival Johnny McKnight too much. I don't know what he's running for, but it isn't a street car.

Steel Products Valv-O-Lite

Recent newspaper publicity on July 2 stated that the Army had asked the WPB to exert more pressure to speed up deliveries of war materiel. In its turn, the WPB asked management and labor to do their part to speed up the job.

Despite the pleas of the Army and WPB, the management of the Toledo Steel Products saw fit to close the plant down on July 3 and 4, a peculiar action in view of the beefing that has been done by our plant management about absenteeism.

The company certainly isn't following a very consistent policy when they put themselves behind schedule and then raise plenty of racket with us to get it out. Oh, well, never mind, folks, there always comes a day and we are elephants.

PANTYWAIST

Who is that glorified pan lifter and trucker out in the forge room who just can't take it when any of the girls who work under him get tired of his domineering ways and tell him off. So he pouts like a small kid and refuses to talk. Wotta man.

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On The Surface

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Surface Combustion won an indoor game from the Plumbers and Steamfitters, Local 50 last week. The game was played at Willys Park and was followed by refreshments. Everybody had a good time. Why can't we do this more often.

Several of the boys have a hankering to pay Pete Mowry a visit. Pete recently took over a popular resort whose waters are reported to have lots of fish. For details consult Carl Pawlik.

"Whitie" Bower, former committeeman now with the Army has written a most interesting letter telling of his life in the Army. From what he writes, it seems that he has very few minutes to himself. If you can manage to write to him, he will appreciate hearing from you. Here's his address, R. W. Bowers, 919th ORO, HAM Co. Camp Polk, La. ASN 35249772.

A new contracts is at hand and a new committee is to be elected. Everyone should make it a point to turn out for the special meeting set for the purpose outlined. It's your contract too and you are the ones who will be compelled to live with it.

Why Coal Shortage Threatens

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (FP)—In the face of threats of a coal shortage this winter, Illinois mines worked only 21.3 days in May, the Progressive Mine Workers (AFL) revealed. Some 1,600,000 tons of coal were lost through slack time, according to the union. In three coal counties miners worked only 12 days and got about $90.

Strike Loses Vacation Plan

EAST MOLINE, Ia. (FP)—A strike lost a liberalized vacation plan for United Auto Workers (CIO) members at the Deere harvester plant in a regional War Labor Board ruling. Labor members dissented, declaring that the company had provoked the strike.

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Airway Unit Airings

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NEEDED REST

Ella Mae Johnston is taking a much needed rest. In the last few days she has lost much of her fire and dash. Here's hoping when you resume work you'll have the old hop on the ball again. The old Maestro will carry on and look forward for your early return.

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GOOD NEWS

Our case which is before the W. L. B. is scheduled for a hearing before a Hearing Officer at 10:00 A. M. Friday, July 14th at the Commodore Perry Hotel. Full particulars will be given the body the following Monday P. M. which is our regular meeting. Am looking forward to a large gathering, also Brother Lloyd Speidell will be present at our next meeting July 17.

WAR BONDS

You still have time to get in on the 5th War Bond Drive, which is open thru all of July. Quite a few have responded generously by buying an extra Bond, besides their regular payroll deductions.

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News—*Auto-Lite Unit*

BRIEFS

The drawing for the War Bond donated by a friend, will be held at the Unit Meeting, July 16, 1944.

The perfect setting for a weiner roast was held at Centenial Terrace Thursday nite. Thanks to Bob Burge, Inspector, who made it possible for Dept. 31 to enjoy an evening of swimming, dancing under the stars and a table groaning with the perfect hot dog supper. Lucille Thomas had charge of arrangements and did a first class job.

Mary Rigo, Dept. 2, is convalescing at home from a recent sojourn in St. Vincent Hospital.

Joe Mansor, Dept. 106, Secretary of the Servicemen's Committee, suffered an appendix operation at Women's and Children's Hospital. You are greatly missed Joe, so hurry back.

Fourth of July was spent fishing by most APD workers. We don't mind the long fish stories, if they would bring in some samples to verify their tales???

Dept. 49—Ray Webb returned from his vacation spent at Fremont.

Omer Jacquet is relaxing at his cottage on Long Lake, Michigan.

Our sympathy is extended to the wife of Sid Curtis who was operated on at Women's and Children's Hospital.

Dept. 1 is to be praised again, during the 5th. War Bond Drive, Captain Jim Roberts sold Bonds amounting to $575 and an increase for every member in the department.

Dorothy Cooper, Dept. 2, leaves July 13th for Hunter's College. She has joined the WAVES.

Pvt. Annie Thomas, Air W. A. C. formerly of Dept. 11, writes from Des Moines, Iowa, she is enjoying every moment of her training and is glad she joined the Air Force.

Eddie Filipski, Transportation Office, donates one dollar monthly for the Servicemen's Fund. Before being discharged from the Army he saw service in the Pacific. 100% Depts. at APD are 39, 40, 1 (second shift) 12 (second shift) 25, 26, and 27. 98% Depts. 35 (first shift), 44, 46, 57, 54 and Dept 3. 96% Dept. Magnesium Line (first shift) and Dept. 31. Keep up the good work.

Bernice Richards, Inspection Dept., Ketchum Avenue Plant, left for Cleveland, July 4, to be inducted into the Signal Corps of the WACs. She will receive her basic training at Camp Calvary, Des Moines, Iowa, and from there goes to Arlington Hall, Virginia. A dinner was served at the Bay Shore Supper Club, sponsored by Mrs. Jennie Hale and Mrs. Grace Lowien. Harry Opperman, supervisor, presented a billfold containing currency and Vincent Ringler, steward, presented a check from first shift, Ketchum Avenue. Good luck, Bernice.

THE LITTLE WOMAN

To the dame who called me on the phone:

Nuts.

Of course I know that the woman who called me about my husband wasn't any angel herself or she wouldn't have called me. I just want to tell her that I know who she is and that her story to me will not accomplish what she hoped it would. Call me up again some time.

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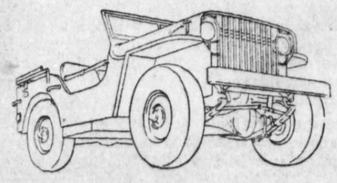
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Commander In Chief

No one was surprised to learn that President Roosevelt would accept the Democratic nomination to the presidency which he announced at his press conference on Tuesday.

Those who are finding fault with the President's expression that he would serve "if so ordered by the commander in chief of us all—the sovereign people of the United States," are being petty, for the President always has been able to find the right words to express a situation, and did so last Tuesday.

What the President's political strategy may be remains to be seen. Certainly, a man tied up with the detailed duties of the presidency in wartime will not be able to find time to dash around the country seeking to convince the voters that he should be re-elected because of the emergency. The sovereign people of the United States know that.

Nor will it be necessary for the President to "run" in the generally accepted meaning of the word. That he will make an effort to be re-elected is a certainty, yet he can do it right from Washington and by the mere expedient of telling the American people via radio what the issues of the campaign are.

Those who claim that the Republicans understand the President's technique are now in the position of being able to show that they understand it by their actions and not merely sagely wagging their heads and saying, "We'll show the Democrats." Fortunately, the President's technique does not lie exclusively in the realm of words.

In the final analysis, this year's election shall be what the President said—the choosing of a commander in chief "by the commander in chief of us all—the sovereign people of the United States."

Reconversion

With the European war moving rapidly to its conclusion, the appointment of a Reconversion Committee by the CIO comes none too soon.

Those in Washington, mostly military authorities, who oppose reconversion, even the gradual reconversion advocated by Chairman Donald M. Nelson of the War Production Board, are taking a narrow view which, if persisted in and sustained, will lead to serious unemployment.

It is an admitted fact that by the first of the year upwards of 2,000,000 workers in war production plants will have been laid off due to production cutbacks. Yet, even in the face of this condition, reconversion is being fought by those who forget that mass unemployment is an enemy which this country has fought for many years.

Nothing could be more demoralizing to the American people than large scale and increasing unemployment due to war production cutbacks, while materials sufficient to support a gradually expanding civilian production are available.

Even today, before the actual defeat of Germany, production cutbacks are occurring which, as victory comes nearer, will increase, freeing an increasingly larger amount of material available for civilian production.

What will occur once Germany has been defeated is an open secret. Production for war purposes to continue the war against the Japs will be cut by 30 to 50 per cent, bringing about a tremendous and possibly, if no gradual reconversion takes place, a sudden increase in serious unemployment.

By a gradual reconversion beginning now, the country could take up the unemployment slack as it occurs in the war industries. Moreover, the reconversion could be accelerated as more and more materials become available by reason of cutbacks in war production.

To continue blisfully on winning the war in all theatres and piling up an increasing unemployment at home would be to gradually lose the war at home. It must not happen.

It is not sufficient that reconversion become an argument over a long period of time. It must be settled definitely now. Day after day, the war progresses to its conclusion, bringing the employment crisis that much nearer. We must plan for the future. We must plan now, and the plan must bring employment to the workers of the country who are awakening to the uncertainties of the future and becoming aware of the seriousness of the situation.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

This column will appear in print several days after the 4th of July, on which it is written, but that does not matter, because the things I want to say here seem to me to be to the point on any day of the year.

I am writting this piece in one of the upstairs rooms of a place we rent in a huge housing project operated by the City of Detroit. It is as fine a place as I could ask to inspire my writting on this 4th of July, 1944.

Across the court from my window, an ingenious and patriotic neighbor has secured a large American flag to his upstairs window. It hangs there in the afternoon sun, fluttering gently in a westerly breeze.

KIDS AT PLAY

Under this flag several small children are playing joyfully. Their happy laughter floats through the project and echoes among the walls of the buildings. The voices of other youngsters playing in other courts can be heard, too.

I suggest that this melody of children laughing under the American flag celebrates the birthday of our nation more appropriately than all the fine speeches which statesmen and other dignitaries will utter before the sun sets this evening.

Edward J. Duck whose column "What's New" usually appears in this space did not write a column this week. It's not the heat, it's the humidity.

To me the music in the voices of these youngsters playing freely here speaks a deep dedication to the courage and vision upon which our national fathers founded this country.

There is no fear here where the voices of these kids ring out so freely and happily. But we, the patriots of our time, face a fight to keep the shadow of fear away from the faces of the kids.

OUR TRADITION

Yes, we face a fight to keep fear out of our future; and the 4th of July is a good time to reassure ourselves that our mostly deeply rooted national tradition is an expression of the revolutionary fight for freedom.

We, Americans, are natural radicals. Radicalism runs in our blood-stream. It is a big radicalism, and it is an open-faced radicalism; it is big like the winds that blow across our mountains and prairies; and its face is open like the faces of the kids playing in the court outside my window.

Our radicalism is the revolutionary heritage of Tom Paine, Tom Jefferson, Sam Adams and the other spark-plugs of our first fight for independence.

NO CONSPIRACY

I have often thought of this when talking to many of the self-styled radicals in the labor movement who think only of radicalism in the European tradition. A college girl once told me how thrilling it was to keep a volume of Karl Marx and The Communist Manifesto hidden under the mattress of her bed.

American radicalism is no such conspiracy; it needs no imported doctrines to give it strength and meaning.

The radicalism that runs in our blood is the contempt for the big-shot that prompts a garage mechanic to tell the banker to "sit down" at a ball game. This kind of a political philosophy needs no dark cellars to meet in; its books need not be hidden under the mattress.

Carl Sandburg knows this because he knows the people; and he tells it in his poems and writings. And if Tom Paine were alive today, he would be blasting Dewey and the GOP—because they represent the same forces of wealth and privilege against which Paine fought in his time.

Why Wage Increases Are Needed

From the United Auto Worker

It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

ACT II

Comes next Wednesday, and the political party which parades under the banner of the donkey will meet in Chicago to nominate "the next President of the United States."

Oh, so you thought that was what the Republicans did last month in Chicago. So do some, but not all of the Republicans. Thomas E. Dewey has high hopes; but apparently they were not shared by Governor Warren of California who refused to run for the vice-presidency which went begging for a taker until somebody thought of Governor John Bricker who had no place else to go.

While the "draft Dewey" movement was strictly phoney, the draft Roosevelt move is strictly on the up and up. Who else would the Democrats nominate, if they did not nominate Mr. Roosevelt? They might as well pick out Senator Joe Zilch who will be sitting in a corner at the convention, if Mr. Roosevelt doesn't choose to run. Senator Zilch will be distinguished by wearing a clean white shirt.

AGAINST ROOSEVELT

Frankly, this column regrets that Mr. Roosevelt finds it necessary to run again. After the past 11 years in the White House that began with the collapse of the economic system and is ending with the greatest war in history, the President has a right to be a nervous wreck, a dead man, or so tired and irritable that even the Democrats, particularly the Southern branch, make him disgusted.

And because I feel that way, because I am sorry for the President and all the stuff he has had to put up with from inside his own and that other political party, I want to express my strongest opposition to Franklin Delano Roosevelt—**for a fifth term.**

No matter what they say about the President, and many of the criticisms are justified, he has certainly thrived on the tough going. Hoover was a broken down mountain of obeisity after one term when things were going to Hell. Coolidge died of a bum heart shortly after retiring to the inner sanctum of a life insurance company's office. Harding couldn't even finish his first term. Wilson was a mental and physical wreck after 19 months of World War I. But Roosevelt—there's a man for you. And he was supposed to be a cripple.

AWFUL THOUGHT

In my own non-conformist way, the thought, the awful thought, has occured to me—what would happen if Roosevelt changed his mind, and when the Democratic convention was in session announced that he did not choose to be a candidate?

The attack on Pearl Harbor would not hold a candle to the consternation that would sweep over the nation. Yes, and I can imagine that Thomas Dewey would turn completely white over night. Yes, and the Republican party would be fuller of feuds than the Arabian desert. Yes, the Grand Old Party would be torn asunder with conflicts of political vultures each one seeking his own preference. Why the Ohio boosters might even emulate the late Teddy Roosevelt and stage a rump convention to nominate John Bricker, who, like dear old Caesar's wife, is above reproach.

Perish the thought, but it would be a national catastrophe if the President refused to stand for his fourth term. It would arouse in our allies fears and trepidation. It would please Herr Hitler almost as much as a robot plane killing 10,000 defenseless London children. It would be a major defeat for labor and the plain people who have gained more under the Roosevelt regime than under all previous Presidents together.

Certainly, refusal of President Roosevelt to continue making a martyr out of himself would leave the country in bad shape. While it is true that no man is indispensable, our President, during these days of crisis comes as close to that condition, perhaps closer than any man who ever lived. That the President is probably sacrificing his life on behalf of his country cannot be doubted, for the presidency has become a man killer, and few indeed of our modern presidents have stood up under its gruelling duties. Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, all died before their full expectancy of life had been realized.

THANK FDR

While I have been critical of the Roosevelt administration on many points and can still find a lot of things to gripe about, it strikes me that we owe the President a debt of gratitude if he consents to run again and continue the administration of the country for the balance of the war and the immediate postwar period.

Roosevelt must be fully aware that he is shortening his life by many years. He must have full knowledge of what the past 11 years have taken from him. Yet, I do not think he will shrink from his task. He will be just as much a victim of this war as those who are today giving their lives in France, in Italy and in the Pacific. And he is not a yellow coward like that female congressional shrew who sought in bad taste to blame the entire conflict on the President.

This is not to be construed as an endorsement of one party government. Far from it. It is merely the giving of credit to a man whose sense of the historic, whose ability to see many things clearly, have kept this country from going to the dogs, before and since the war.

Roosevelt is a human being. He is full of human weaknesses. He has erred. He shall continue to err. But he is a patriotic American, who, rather than quit his country in its hour of need, will fight its enemies both within and without its borders for four more years.

Roosevelt will be drafted; but my guess is that he will never be in shape for a fifth term.

Editor's Mail

We welcome letters to the editor, but ask that contributors limit them to 250 words. Letters over the alloted number of words will be cut to the required length. Letters containing personal attacks or libelous statements will not be published.

The Editors.

About Bus Drivers

Dear Sir:

I wish some of the writers for your paper would take a few rides on the Cherry St. car line and then sit down and write something about the operators. They would be mad enough to do it too.

It seems like all the doddering, senile wrecks working for the Traction Co. are on the Cherry line. Such lack of courtesy, even in wartime is inexcusable. Most, but not all the men are grumpy, crabby and discourteous.

This war won't last forever, and believe me, the Traction Co. is going to feel it when people can drive their automobiles again if they don't teach their operators some manners.

Emma Manners,
Auto-Lite Unit.

Servicemen's Letters

Haven't Forgotten

Pvt. Felix Gramnicki,
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APO 958
c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California.

Dear Brother Schultz:

I have received your most distinguished letter. Sure was very glad to hear from you brother Schultz and to hear good news from our fellow union members.

I'd like to say, I haven't forgotten our good union. As soon as possible after the war I will get in touch with Local 12 and be a union man.

As long as we have a union and a good American country, victory shall be ours. I am in very good spirits and expect that our country will demand all our services and abilities to bring about an honorable peace and rights of freedom, jobs and happiness after this war.

I know you are all true and loyal Americans and hate those who would not stand for serving our country on the battlefield and fight for their rights. We help our enemies when we fight among ourselves.

Those who would not stand forth in defense of our country or union, law, religion and all that is dear to us, will always be against us and are not true Americans.

As always,
Felix Gramnicki.

Wants Paper

Dear Sir:

A lot of the boys who used to be in my outfit and received your paper have moved. I always read the sheet and liked it. What must I do to get your paper. I am not a member of the CIO.

Very truly yours,
Pvt. J. L. Atlane,
Ft. Knox, Ky.

Politics In Housing

By R. J. Thomas

Editor's Note: The following highlights were taken from a speech delivered by R. J. Thomas, president of the UAW-CIO, before the first national convention of the Public Housing Conference, held in St Louis, Mo., March 25, 1944.

Politics has been aptly defined as the science of How, Who Gets What, and Why.

In our Democracy, all great social issues are resolved in the arena of politics. The pressing problem of Housing has been drawn into this arena, and is now becoming one of the chief political issues of the day.

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If we have any doubt about this we need only consider the barrage of controversial public statements in the press, the partisan testimony being offered before important congressional committees, and the biased and irresponsible mouthings of the nation's latest radio star, the present-day Baron Munchausen, Mr. Fulton Lewis, Jr.

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Governor Bricker of Ohio, taking an uncompromising stand against government participation in Housing, and asserting that all housing is the business of private enterprise.

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Waving the flag of private enterprise, they (private enterprise) prepare for a post-war repetition of former boom-time practices. They noisily oppose the building of Public Housing for a large group of people they have never been able to build for and have no serious intentions of building for in the postwar period.

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Climbing on the slum clearance bandwagon, they (private interests) are trying to hoodwink the public into buying city slum areas at a high price and turning such areas over to them at a fraction of such cost to the public.

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While on the surface these tactics are directed against postwar housing programs, actually they are part and parcel of the present reactionary attempts to embarrass the Administration, regardless of the war, in order to defeat the Administration in the coming election.

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I do not forsee such improvement in economic conditions after the war to cause me to believe that all family incomes will permit the purchase or rental of decent private homes supplied at a profit. The lowest income groups will still need to rely on publicly subsidized rentals, and an even larger group will not be able to pay more than an economic rent, which is a rent without profit. It is for these groups that public housing programs must be created, and no amount of promises or claims by private builders should be allowed to lull us into the false hope that private enterprise alone could, or should, build for these groups.

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The only reason I have perhaps labored the point of public responsibility for low-rent housing, is that it is on this point that the current political attacks are levelled.

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This policy of meeting our war need through temporary public construction, should be continued until such time as labor and materials are available in such quantity that a sound permanent building program can be launched.

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Our cities and towns must be rebuilt from a community interest point of view. Our urban areas must be made good places for all members of our communities to live in.

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We recognize that the outcome of the present political struggle will have great bearing on the advances made in housing. We in Labor, therefore, have already determined our course of action. Housing is a major plank in the platform of the CIO Political Action Committee; and as such, Housing will be used as one of the measures for determining the fitness of all candidates who aspire to public office.

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We have confidence that people, who in time of war will send their sons and daughters to fight and die in the far corners of the world, who pour out their material wealth beyond comprehension, and who submit themselves to all the tyrannies of modern warfare, for freedom and right, can, when they choose, determine how they and their children will live.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

REMEMBERING

One thing that all of us are gifted with is memories. We are particularly good at remembering the evils that have occured to us as we pass through life.

Perhaps it is because we remember the bad things that so many of our minds turn back a few years when we are told that production cutbacks are coming and that up to the present time, no good or sufficient plan has been made to ease the unemployment which will ensue.

My mind turns back to 1932. I can see the confusion and doubts written on the faces of those whose savings were locked up in the closed banks. I can see the haunted looks in the eyes of mothers and fathers whose children did not have proper food and clothing. I can see the anger, the hatred in the grim faces of men whose only concern was in keeping themselves and their families living.

Do you remember the hope that took shape when the new President Roosevelt was inaugurated and told the people of this nation not to fear, that their only fear need be of fear? Many of you remember the work projects that gave a lot of us an opportunity to make a few dollars for the first time in months.

Those of you who have been members of the CIO from its beginning, many of you who were not members, but who were with us in spirit, cannot forget that it was the Roosevelt administration which brought about labor's right to organize and collectively bargain, which wrote the social security bill and the National Labor Relations Act.

TIMES CHANGE

Times changed. Things grew better then blackened again. We were going nowhere when this war came along. War in Europe with its alarming developments awakened in us the realization that we too must prepare. That made things better. Then, after we got into it—prosperity.

War prosperity is false prosperity. There can be no good come from war. No worker ever has prospered as a result of a war boom, nor will the workers prosper from this war. Progress for labor depends upon peace and the real prosperity of workers producing things which they themselves can use. It is not purchased out of the mouths of guns, or in the block buster spreading death and destruction.

Because we know these things are true, we must take an interest in the things which are going to begin to occur in the near future. We must, above all, protect our political gains to the end that we shall not only preserve the things which have been won under great difficulties, but to extend them.

We do not know what the future holds for us, but we do know what the threats of the future will be for labor. We remember our past. Our present conditions are rapidly changing. By all means register now, and prepare to vote for your own economic and political interests this fall.

From The Desk

of

Melvin Schultz

President,
Local 12, UAW-CIO

ANNUAL WAGE

We have heard much discussion in recent months of stabilization. There is a real desire, at least on the part of some groups, and these include the UAW-CIO, to establish social relations which shall be stable enough to prevent the frequent occurrence of widespread unemployment and the dislocation of all producer-consumer relationships.

In order to assure a ready market for a flow of consumer goods, a guaranteed annual wage for all workers is essential. As it stands at present, the vast majority of the people receive a disproportionate amount of the nation's income, while a small group of industrialists receives the bulk of the national income. This group is, of course, limited in the amount of consumer goods they can use and therefore proceed to invest the balance of their profits in expanding the productive plant to produce even more consumers goods, while these goods are, in normal times, produced months ahead of expected sales and there is generally a surplus of consumers goods on the market even though most of the workers would like to buy things they do not have.

Thus, when workers are laid off, they normally cannot be put back to work until the products lying on shelves or in storerooms are sold. These same workers cannot buy the goods until they get a job.

Now the one answer to this otherwise vicious circle is a guaranteed annual wage, to be paid by the employer and underwritten by the government. This would aid in solving both the employment problem and the production problem.

An annual wage would greatly help to secure economic stabilization and it is a very important plank in the Post-War Program of the UAW-CIO, but there are other important planks, as we shall see.

Plaster Viands Adorn Screen Banquet Tables

HOLLYWOOD—Before the war, motion picture studios did their best to assure the public that only real food was used in dinner scenes. If critics dared mention in print that some of it was phoney, everyone, from the producer to the prop man, blanched.

Today all that is changed. Decidedly. On the set of "Mrs. Parkington", Producer Leon Gordon was worrying over an elaborate banquet scene. But he was worrying for fear the public would think the food was real!

Eatables All Ersatz

An opulent mansion scene, representing the height of elegance and wealth in the 1870's is the setting for the banquet. The newly rich Major Augustus Parkington (Walter Pidgeon) and his bride, Susie (Greer Garson), have invited the social elect of New York to a supper and ball. Less than a dozen appear, but that fact was no aid to M-G-M's prop department, for preparations for 100 guests still had to be made.

The 60-foot banquet table is elegant with silver and glass, engraved place cards, flowers and fern and receptacles filled with fruit. But the flowers are fake. The fruit is phoney. Producer Leon Gordon said so. Director Tay Garnett said so, and we looked and found it so. They are not the McCoy.

The 40-foot buffet is loaded with eye-appealing turkeys, hams, squabs, pheasants, roasts a 10-foot cake. It looks delicious, but it's all papier mache, plaster, or painted cardboard.

Except Salads and Fish

But the salads are real and some of the sea food is real. After all, this is a banquet scene and Director Garnett pointed out that actors can't be expected to eat cardboard even in wartime.

But only a minimum of real food is served. The huge cake, for instance, has a four-inch insert of real cake, which a chef cut during the banquet scene. After the scene was rehearsed, another piece of cake was inserted and the scene was filmed.

Motion pictures may still look lavish, Director Garnett admitted, but film studios too are ingeniously practicing wartime thrift. Particularly when it comes to ration points.

Judy Versatile In 'Follies' Comic Skit

HOLLYWOOD (Special) — Judy Garland sings, dances, emotes and cracks wise to let the world in on the secret of how to crash the movies, for her stellar role in "Ziegfeld Follies."

As star of a comedy skit, "The Interview," a hilarious sketch, Judy demonstrates just what an actress goes through to win a star role in a motion picture.

15 MGM Players Are "Teen Agers"

To 15 on Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's player's roster, that film company's celebration of 20-Year Anniversary this week seems like going back into ancient history. They weren't even born then! The list includes Gloria DeHaven, Angela Lansbury, June Lockhart, Jean Porter, Jacqueline White, Lee and Lyn Wilde, Kenny Bowers, Richard Hall, Jackie Jenkins, Sharon McManus, Margaret O'Brien, Jane Powell, Juanita Quigley and Elizabeth Taylor.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn (FP)—CIO members in this Connecticut city weren't amused by Rep. Clare Boothe Luce's witty speech at the GOP convention. Assembled in the CIO Council, representing 50,000 war workers, they skipped Clare and called for reelection of President Roosevelt.

Bathing Fashions

The bathing suit which lovely Warner Bros. player Dolores Moran is modeling so charmingly is . . . well, Dolores will be seen in "The Horn Blows At Midnight" with Jack Benny, and after that will appear with Humphrey Bogart in "To Have or Have Not" . . . oh yes, the bathing suit, well it's sort of a . . . bathing suit.

Film Troupe Gives Sick Sailors Treat

LAKEHURST, N. J. — Hospitalized sailors at the Naval Air Station here were blue this week when the hundreds of their comrades were able to watch the filming of "Cloud Busters."

That is, they were until Wallace Beery and Director William A. Wellman learned about the tars disappointment.

Beery and Wellman quickly changed the script, and the next scene was filmed with the naval infirmary as the background.

Not only did the patients, who crowded to the windows, see the company at work, but Beery, James Gleason, Jan Clayton, Tom Drake, and the others of the cast also toured the hospital, talking to each boy.

Kelly, Sinatra, Grayson Start Roles In Filmusical

HOLLYWOOD (Special) — "Anchors Aweigh," tune-filled Technicolor musical, starring Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Jose Iturbi and Kathryn Grayson, went before the cameras at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer this week, with opening scenes featuring Kelly and Sinatra in a musical number, "We Hate To Leave." The setting was below decks on an aircraft carrier, with the two stars portraying a pair of gobs.

Joe Pasternak is producing this filmusical with the Navy setting and twenty-three elaborate musical numbers. The four stars will run the gamut of song and dance, in solo spots and teamed.

Pamela Britton, comedy star of the stage hit, "Oklahoma," and Dean Stockwell, eight-year-old actor from the New York stage, are in the supporting cast.

Geo. Sidney to Direct MGM 'Cabbage & Kings'

HOLLYWOOD — George Sidney, young director with a number of top musical hits to his credit, will direct the forthcoming "Cabbages and Kings" it was announced this week.

"Cabbages and Kings" is a musical with an "Alice in Wonderland" flavor. It will have Jimmy Durante in the top comic role.

Sidney is now directing "Anchors Aweigh" with Frank Sinatra, Gene Kelly, Kathryn Grayson and Jose Iturbi.

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Basil RATHBONE, BILL GOODWIN, ETHEL SMITH, JEAN PORTER and CARLOS RAMIREZ HAVE IMPORTANT ROLES IN THIS M-G-M HIT!
Red SKELTON
STARS WITH ESTHER WILLIAMS IN MGM'S "BATHING BEAUTY" HOLLYWOOD'S TECHNICOLOR WATER PAGEANT!

Xavier Cugat's primary is Gerald K. O'Brien, former Michigan deputy attorney general and for six years assistant prosecutor.

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News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Red Skelton, Esther Williams Star in New Technicolor Film

The M-G-M behind the Technicolor musical playing this week at Loew's Valentine Theatre also stands for Mirth, Gals and Melody. These are the three spicy ingredients which have been whipped into the Red Skelton-Esther Williams new comedy confection.

A sparkling Technicolor tunefest, 'Bathing Beauty' is a well-stocked showcase of first-rate talent. Swim star Miss Williams, Harry James and his jivers, Basil Rathbone, the vibrant South American baritone Carlos Ramirez, Xavier Cugat and his Latin American orchestra, and swing organist Ethel Smith are but a few of the personalities who pack the picture with entertainment. Forty campus cuties, an equal number of dazzling dancers, and thirty-two aquabeauties lend it further eye appeal.

Red Skelton wins a rare chance to dig deep into his bag of tricks as a love-struck Broadway songsmith who becomes the sole male student in an all-girls' college. How Red fares at this higher education gives the old master of merriment an opportunity to earn his Ph.D. in zany comedy.

Esther Williams has the role as the curvaceous object of Red's affection who goes to school with Mr. Co-ed. Esther displays her talents as mermaid as well as actress in this musical: she stars in the spectacular water ballet which is one of its highlights.

Two of America's blue chip band maestros, Harry James and Xavier Cugat, are on hand to brighten the film with their glittering bands and polished rhythms. Carlos Ramirez, Buenos Aires baritone whose voice created a sensation in New York night spots, makes his second screen appearance in "Bathing Beauty." Swing organist Ethel Smith, favorite of radio and record fans, helps raise the temperature of the production with her sizzling musical offerings. Basil Rathbone, as a baffled Broadway producer, here turns comedian after a lengthy career of film villainy.

For the first time on celluloid, a brilliantly colorful water ballet has been created and staged by John Murray Anderson. Anderson has handled such hippodromic extravaganzas as the Billy Rose Aquacades, "Jumbo," "The Music Box Revue" and "The Ziegfeld Follies." His water carnival for "Bathing Beauty" features shoals of hand-picked aqua-nymphs and dancers. It also makes use of projected colored light, cascades and crystal backgrounds, and utilizes a huge, specially built indoor swimming pool Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer constructed for the spectacle.

Fashions are always news, but the seal-sleek, exciting swim suits that Irene, the studio's top-flight designer, has created for Esther Williams and the water belles promise to become style setters. One-piece form fitters in lustrous materials, each suit was specially designed for its shapely wearer.

Fresh from his successes in "Thousands Cheer" and "Pilot #5," George Sidney handled the directorial reins on "Bathing Beauty" Jack Cummings, responsible for "I Dood It," "Ship Ahoy," "Broadway Melody" and other hits produced the tune-packed Technicolor comedy.

JEAN PORTER is the sort of a lackadaisical fisherman that lackadaisical fisherman ought to be like. Jean is one of the starlets featured with Red Skelton and Esther Williams in M-G-M's forthcoming musical, "Bathing Beauty" now showing at Valentine Theatre.

Judy Garland To Be Brunet Again

HOLLYWOOD (Special) — For her first straight dramatic screen role, in "The Clock," Judy Garland will go brunette. Since the Technicolor "Wizard of Oz," the young star has had golden-red hair. Now she will return it to its natural color.

In keeping with her characterization of a young New York working girl, Judy will wear a short bob, her curls to be snipped to a three-inch length. It will be parted just off center and dressed in soft waves.

Prankish Comics Rib Film Director

HOLLYWOOD—Sam Taylor, directing Laurel and Hardy in "The Home Front," has a habit of mislaying his shooting script between filming scenes. During the first two days of filming he mislaid it several times.

Then Laurel and Hardy got an idea. The next day Taylor's script was encased in a red, white and blue cover, painted in stripes like a barber's pole. Attached to the cover is a small cow-bell.

They defy Taylor to lose the script now.

Sweet Dreams Of A Nimrod

Wally Beery relaxes with his dogs in his Beverly Hills den after a hard day playing at field trials. Wally's next picture for M-G-M is "Gold Town."

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HOLLYWOOD LOT

By TED TAYLOR

HOLLYWOOD, July 11 (FP)—There will be no film cartel, the Dept. of Justice promises. Current moves of Hollywood producing companies to get under two flags are being scrutinized by the government to see that no "exclusive jurisdiction" deal is made.

The reason is that any privately engineered restriction on motion pictures might jeopardize the interests of all American products.

"If American movies should be kept out of foreign areas," said Asst. U. S. Atty. Gen. Wendell Berge in a speech on international futures, "the effect would be immediate on all kinds of American products which are advertised through the medium of the motion picture.' So the D. J. anti-trust division is checking all deals to be sure they keep international outlets open for American films and do not bar the American market to foreign pictures.

UNDER TWO FLAGS. Dual-flag deals are developing on all sides. RKO is putting up 50% of the coin to build Mexico's newest studio, Nuevo Mundo. Columbia will be the first U. S. company to produce a picture in Australia.

An MGM scout is combing Latin America for the voice doubles (Spanish) of Lana Turner, Clark Gable, Greer Garson and other MGM stars. (Object: a stock company to dub special sound tracks in Spanish.) Republic will produce feature pictures in Mexico and South America. As for London and Hollywood, 2-way deals are legion.

PLANK. Hollywood's post-war plan is to have a finger in every international pie. In fact Hollywood has fashioned a plank for the peace table and delivered it to Sec. of State Cordell Hull's ante-room. It bears the motto: "No bar to Hollywood movies anywhere in the world."

There will be "and/or British" amendment to that plank or Parliament will know why. The difficulty of getting British pictures onto U. S. screens has already been raised in Parliament.

Will Hays made a speech in this country to put Parliament in its place. When films compete on the international market, Hays says, "the only test is artistry."

Lord Brabazon of Tara gave hot rejoinder. The Americans came to England to produce their 20% under the British quota, he told Parliament, "and deliberately made the worst films ever put on the screen. In consequence English films stank everywhere." Hays hasn't replied. But today's films-across-the-seas deals are obviously correctives.

DEALS. Hal Wallis resigned as head genius of Warner Bros. to produce on his own for Paramount—and will make some films in England. Darryl Zanuck, the 20th-Fox Zanuck, will personally supervise some of the English production for revamped Gaumont-British. (The British hoped to buy back the 49% interest in their GB held by 20th-Fox and MGM. But they're settling for a slice of Zanuck and a separate U. S. distributing company).

Alexander Korda will make films in England for MGM to show in the U. S. — bolstering MGM's bookings for English screens. Warner Bros. probably winced worst at Brabazon's unkind words. Warners has long produced low-cost English films to sustain their inside holdings in English theaters. They will now do some revamping of their own, having lost not only Wallis as production chief, but Ralph Dawson, ace editor.

Film editors are unsung Hollywood geniuses who make or break great directors. Dawson for years edited the outstanding Warner pictures on a weekly salary. He learned that the studio had refused to loan him to Gabriel Pascal, English producer ,and promptly resigned. He goes to England under contract.

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STARS ON RADIO

Judy Garland guest stars on the Dick Haymes radio show July 11. Basil Rathbone visits on the Sealtest program July 13, and John Hodiak appears July 14 on the Maxwell House Summer Show.

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"CURIE" HONORED IN CHILE

SANTIAGO, Chile — Local authorities marked week of June 22 to 28 "Radium Week" — homage to Madame Curie", coincidental with opening run of M-G-M film. Active interest of statesmen, including the Minister of Education, has been aroused.

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HENRY ARMETTA CAST

Henry Armetta, veteran Italian character actor, was cast in a comedy role with Frank Sinatra, Gene Kelly, Jose Iturbi and Kathryn Grayson in "Anchors Aweigh." He'll play the bewildered proprietor of a water front cafe, in the musical, being filmed in Technicolor.

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MELTON YODELS AS YOKEL

James Melton is having a harder time singing a cowboy ditty than an entire operatic score.

For his cowboy sketch in "Ziegfeld Follies" he sings "Home on the Range", "The Old Chisholm Trail" and a hillbilly medley. But that's not all—he has to roll his own cigarettes and his cowboy pants are so tight he can't sit down!

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GINNY SIMMS' NEW HONOR

Ginny Simms was the first screen personality to become an honorary sergeant in the Marine Corps; the first to become a bosun's mate, first class, in the Navy, and this week, from Washington, D. C., comes a new salute to the singing star.

The Coast Guard officially conferred upon her an "Award of Merit" for her contributions to Coast Guard morale!

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"PIN-UP BOYS" FOR WACS

Photos of male screen stars and autographs which Lana Turner is collecting will be the first item packed when the star gets her luggage together to go on her location trip to the WAC training center at Fort Oglethorpe Georgia.

Lana, whose new starring film deals with the girls of the Women's Army Corps, is preparing to meet any and all requests for "pin-up boys" from the WACS stationed at Oglethorpe.

Seen On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD — Lowell Gilmore, former stage actor, is portraying the painter of the fateful portrait in "The Picture of Dorian Gray." Hurd Hatfield, as Dorian Gray, has lured him to a dusty attic, where the painting, which has aged while he has remained young, is sequestered.

Gilmore seems astounded at the change in his work. While he stares, Hatfield advances, a dagger in his hand. He lunges, and —

Something goes wrong with one of the lights.

"Cut!" orders Director Albert Lewin, and looks at his watch. "It's 12 noon. The murder of Basil Hallward will be postponed until after lunch. I'm starved!"

The "almost" corpse gets up from the floor.

"Good idea!" he says. "So am I."

The condemned man ate a hearty meal.

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Workers Say Hello To GI Joe In Great Rally

LOS ANGELES (FP)—On the beaches of Normandy and Italy and New Guinea the night of June 30, American fighting men heard a great shout—"Hello, Joe"—the shout of tens of thousands of shipyard workers, aircraft workers and citizens standing at rigid attention in Los Angeles Stadium in a huge rally for "Dear Joe."

Fog hung over the great stadium, the American flag unfurled in flashing searchlights and 25,000 matches lit, flickered and went out as California workers told G. I. Joe that he "shall not want for any single thing, be it large or small"—tanks, planes, ships, bullets, plasma or whatever it takes—for victory. The rally, originally proposed by AFL and CIO unions to the mayor of Los Angeles, brought out the entire labor movement of southern California, including topflight movie stars, in the most impressive demonstration yet held to back the invasion.

In all four corners of the world GI Joe, listening in on the shortwave radio, could hear a shipyard worker tell how he and his pals are building ships, an aircraft worker tell how he and his gang are making the P-38 and the Flying Fortress and the new Black Widow, and Negro and white workers from other plants explain how they are buying bonds and giving blood for victory.

Unions Praised

He heard Sec. Philip M. Connelly of the Los Angeles CIO Council say that only 6/10 of 1% of time lost in war work has been due to stoppages, and "that comes when men and women organize democratically into trade unions."

"We believe you want a home, a family, a decent job at decent wages," Sec. William Bassett of the Central Labor told him. "We're going to see you have those things when you get back."

"We're united here. Don't let anybody tell you anything different, Joe. This is one nation, indivisible," the CIO leader said. Businessmen, churchmen, civic leaders, famous movie actors and actresses and wounded veterans stepped to the mike one after the other to say a word to Joe.

Parachutists Descend

Two parachutists descended into the great arena at the climax of the rally as a parade of jeeps, each bearing a hero of a war plant and a hero of the battlefield, dramatized the ride together toward a common freedom. Workers also starred in a 5-man, 5-woman welding contest which pierced the fog with electric arcs. Then, at a given signal, the whole audience rose to repeat this solemn pledge, which is being forwaded to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to be used in propaganda bombs by Allied airmen over Germany and mailed in miniature by each person present to his own GI:

"You shall not want for any single thing, be it large or small, cheap or dear, rare or common, that we at home can make for you—whether it be a tank or a bullet, a ship or a lifebelt, a plane or a parachute, a packet of plasma or a sulfa drug. Rather when you need one there shall be two at your hand. 'To you, who are the pride of our nation, we make this promise. So help us God. Amen."

As the rally ended the newest member of the American Guild (CIO), Walter Winchell, flashed a message asking that such Back the Invasion rallies be held in every city to assure the fighting men that America is with them on the homefront.

P-R Funds Cut For 1944

COLUMBUS, July 11. — The Ohio Conservation Division's share of the Pittman-Robertson money, raised by a federal tax on sporting arms and ammunition, will drop to $37,342 for the next fiscal year, unless the U. S. Senate restores the cut from a million to $800,000 made by the House available for distribution to the various states on the basis of sales of hunting licenses and areas of the states. Since the beginning of the P-R project Ohio has received $562,503.65 including the appropriation for the coming years. This really amounts to a return to Ohio of a generous part of the tax paid by Ohio sportsmen on purchases of hunting needs.

A number of P-R projects have been launched throughout the state through use of these funds, with the addition of one-fourth of Conservation Division funds. Not one dollar of Ohio general fund money goes into the P-R projects, or into any expenditure by the Division of Conservation, which receives all of its operating funds from hunting and fishing licenses.

A strong effort is being made to have the $200,000 reduction restored in the Senate.

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Canco Unit Opener

By Ted Modrowski

PASSING GLANCES

In passing through the plant you are likely to see Virginia Ciepichal eating... Elmer Seegert practicing his golf swing ...The Foremen gunning for yours truly... Red Falkenberg still chasing Johnny Demski6. Mona Polcyn correcting Ben Maciejewski and his vocabullary... Lillian Bellfy practicing the latest dance step... Ray Samberg creating an emergency so that he can outwork his truckers... Martha Ness telling a good story... Walter Witaszek talking politics... Sleeping beauties everywhere... Jackie Gebhardt trying to forget but can't... Virginia Cipichal eating again... Eula Coleman trying to sing... Jess Best eating caramels... Herb Dickinson whistling while he works, (if he is in)... Rose Marie Wesolowski and Ann Szych making preparations for the 3 Ring Circus they are said to have... Floyd Madrzykowski working like a beaver and happy about the whole thing... Frances Olszewski arguing with Johnny Marok... Virginia Ciepichal still eating with everyone looking on in amazement.

An Oddity.

From time to time the readers of this column no doubt have noticed that statements have been made in regard to various personalities in the managenement set up, but never was a word about our Personnel Supervisor, W. A. Jones, better known as 'Bill.'

We have never been asked why, so, on our own, we will answer the question and I'm sure you will all agree. Bill is quite a guy, very much unlike the general run of persnnnel men, because he believes in fair play when it comes to dealing with the workers. He will give your stories his fullest attention and he maintains in his mind that you are right until proven otherwise. It is actions like these that go to improve the relations between management and labor. All we can add to this is, that we are mighty sorry Bill's ability isn't catching so that a few more of the people in management would change. Keep up the good work Bill and don't slip down with the others.

Do's and Don'ts For Fishermen

LANSING, July 12 — Here are seven Do's and Don'ts recommended by the conservation department to help fishermen keep out of trouble:

1. Protect your head with a wide brim hat and wear clothing adequate for protection from wind and insect bites.
2. Carry a vacuum bottle or flask of good drinking water. Drinking lake or stream water that has not been boiled is dangerous.
3. Be cautious while in a boat especially when wearing rubber boots or other clothing that will hamper you in swimming.
4. When bait-casting from a boat, use the overhand cast so you will not endanger your companions.
5. Carry a first-aid kit and promptly sterilize scratches and punctures from hooks and fish fins, which often cause infection.
6. Should a fishhook become buried in the flesh, don't try to pull it out. Push it on around and out through the skin. Cut off the barb with the wire cutter or pair of pliers which should always be in your kit; then the hook may be extracted easily.
7. Don't venture out on the water in stormy weather. When the weather is threatening, head for shore.

Field Trials Set For November

LANSING, July 11 — Grand national grouse championship trials, outstanding bird dog event of the kind in the country, are to be held in early November on the Gladwin state game refuge.

The event will bring to Michigan dogs that have won in sectional competition. Handlers who urged selection of the Gladwin refuge for the 1944 event, because of the greater likelihood of finding birds, believe that next November's event may prove so successful that the Gladwin courses will become as famous as those near Grand Junction, Tennessee, where comparable quail trails have been held for more than 40 years. First grand championship grouse trials were held last year near Jersey Shore, Penna.

Conservation department game men will survey and clear courses on the Gladwin refuge for the event.

John M. Hadaway of Flint is president of the Grand National Grouse Field Trial Association which will stage the trials.

Sparklets—Champion Unit

Did you ever see it to fail that Betty Walker didn't make a trip to Napoleon over the week-end. From what we hear Napoleon is quite a town. Right, Betty?

In case you ever need the services of a traffic cop, see Lora Dier in the Aviation building. You should have seen her direct traffic on Dorr and Upton one recent afternoon.

Margaret Wasserman (oil tester) is the recepient of a letter from a soldier in the Central Pacific who received her gift of cigarettes which was sent through the CIO. An excerpt from the letter follows:

"Today I received your most welcome gift of cigarettes. The smokes come in mighty handy and will taste better than any so far. It's swell of you patriotic people back home to be so kind for naturally it boosts our morale."

This clearly indicates how much the service men appreciate every little act we do for them. Why can't we show them our appreciation by contributing readily to the weekly soldier collection? While we're on the subject we'd like to pat the boys in the engineering department on the back for their cooperation each week on the collection. Thanks a lot fellas.

On Saturday July 1st a group of girls from Dept. E held a roast out Ascot Place. An enjoyable evening was had by all. Among those who participated were: Martha Kubicz, Genevieve Lustic, Helen Mowka, Isabelle Kwiatkowski, Evelyn Miller, Florence Jaworski, Sophie Yunker, Louise Hohenbrink, Eileen Hauck, Julia Heltman and little Norma Jean.

After almost two months of anxious waiting Minnie Schlegel, stewardess of Dept. D., became grandmother of a baby boy. We're glad that's over. Whew!

Mabel McDowell, inspector in Dept. D. celebrated another birthday week ago Wednesday by bringing in candy for her coworkers. In fact, she claims she's sweet sixteen and never missed a kiss. We all say "a belated happy birthday" and many more kisses. Mabel never let's the soldiers' fund down.

Many thanks to Jesse Smith of department I for his interest in the war production at Champion. Jesse made several trips to the plant after seeing many Championites stranded on corners waiting for rides. Also thanks to the Transportation Committee for the swell job they did during the time buses and street cars weren't available.

Today's Laugh:

Mr. J. H. Beatty seen peeking through the fence in Dept. K. Shame on you Mr. Beatty! Very undignified for a man of your position. Tch! Tch! Why don't you go on inside? You'll see more.

Who is the assistant foreman on nights who doesn't like community song fests? Remember John, all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

Charles Hanefield objects to us printing anything he says about his car. So maybe we shouldnt tell you that he has removed his motor and installed foot pedals to make sure his car will run. War time economy?

Gayle Goldsworthy has the only "jet propulsion" car in the plant. We know it because we saw and heard it whistle and smoke.

Ask Nick Carney about the inspection tour Ed Schneider, Bob Peconge, A. Bell and he made at Willow Run. The trip was made in Carney's "covered wagon." Outside of a few breakdowns (every mile) the trip was uneventful.

Department D has been perking along the past two weeks very smoothly even with Mr. Waters gone. Goes to prove that the people get their work out without someone cracking the whip over their heads constantly. It's really been a pleasue to come to work. Sorry it has to end.

Thumbnail items:

Lyle Jones (Jonesy) says that by the 15th of July he will have tomatoes as big as his head.—We're from Missouri.

Box car Karl, the water wagon boy, says he is going to marry. Good luck, Karl. Lots of happiness!

Ted Hill has a mascot. Its a large bettle bug as big as a half dollar. It's even on a leash. You should hear it sing and "spark."

The cockroaches on the fourth floor have top seniority so they ring the time cards in and out.

Ernie Sasse of Dept. AA is bothered by chiggers. He picked them up at Side Cut Park over the week-end. Scratch, boy, scratch.

The Acklinite

By Lewis Mattox

In the next couple months you will see all kinds of propaganda in the daily papers, smearing Roosevelt and trying to get the workers to forget the past 12 years. Our answer to this is to register to vote, getting our friends to do the same and also our families. We must do our part by voting for candidates backed by labor.

Our boys on the softball team deserve a lot of credit. With our best pitcher in the armed service our boys in there keep trying. They have lost two games so far.

James Muloaney is now working days and talking about the old game nine. Naming the boys on the night shift.

Edward Jeffords is back to work in the die shop. The boys are glad he is back.

The bat boy of our softball team is Harold Henry. He is also the mascot of the drill press department.

Eddie Huntebrinker has a boy in the marines. He has a good record working every day in the shop including Sundays.

John Robertson is another steady workers. He has a brother in the Navy.

Clara Renz and Kelly of the inspection department are taking their vacations.

White and Gype are talking about birthdays. Hope they promote a barrel of suds. Boy, is beer hard to get?

There is quite a lot of talk about a picnic for the Acklin Unit. It would be very nice for the employes to get together once a year for an outing. The committee is looking into this matter.

Opal Gahger is back to work after vacationing in New York.

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Ragging The Scale

This being all about some foremen whom we could very well do without. And, confidentially, we don't think the management would miss them, either. Well, here 'tis:

First, let's discuss that big hunk of man (?) who complained so vehemently about a collection that was being taken up to help out a fellow worker who has suffered a great deal of misfortune. We don't know if the big guy finally gave or not, but we hope he didn't, because the felow for whom the collection was being taken wouldn't touch a penny of his money with a 10-foot pole. Neither would we. Big shot! And he knows what we mean.

Next on our list is that smart aleck department head who has the perfect department. Maybe it is from where he sits, and we have to admit that he never has any trouble, but how could he? With nothing but a room full of stooges and we comean stooges (no other kind has a ghost of a show in his department), why shouldn't he get along? At the first sign of disagreement this wonderful executive finds the work unsatisfactory. Cute, eh?

Then there is that hard-nosed union hater whom no man in his department can trust. If the workers can't trust his word, how can the company?

Another wily fellow who is laboring under the impression that he is getting away with it, pretends to cooperate wholeheartedly with his men, but tries to get away with dozens of low, underhanded tricks. Look, pal, whom do you think you're fooling? Wake up, chum(p), and avoid getting smoked out.

Of course, there are some would-be foremen whom the company has kidded into believing they are really something. We have in mind a prominent polisher of the red apple who voted against us in the last Labor Board election. However, he still thinks he is a foreman. The dope doesn't know yet that foremen are not allowed to vote in Labor Board elections. Someone wake him up.

We understand that the management is discouraging girls in the office from taking jobs in the factory which pay more money. They are threatening loss of seniority if the girls leave. Don't let them kid you, girls. If you work in a department that comes under our contract, your plant seniority is always good, regardless where your transfer in the factory.

Cranes On Increase

LANSING, July 12 — Rare sandhill cranes may be increasing in numbers in Michigan according to conservation department game men. Observers report that larger numbers of birds have been seen in recent weeks in the Seney marsh, Schoolcraft county, than have appeared there in earlier seasons. Upwards of 75 of the vranes in one flock were counted last fall.

The Seney marsh is the favored nestin gplace of the sandhill crane in Michigan, although department records show the crane nests on the Waterloor recreation area in Jackson county, the state Audubon society's refuge in Calhoun county, Chandler's marsh near Lansing, and the Corey marsh in Clinton county.

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Now, to demonstrate again their patriotism, their loyalty to the Spicer men and women in the service as well as all the others who are on the fighting fronts, Spicer employees in the Toledo plant have answered the call of the Treasury Department and have purchased War Bonds to the equivalent of $100.00 each during the months of June and July.

Spicer's War-Time Products

Axles and Auxiliary Transmissions for Jeeps.

Transmissions for M-3 Light Tanks, Amphibian Types of Tanks, Heavy Duty Caterpillar Tread Tractors, and Half-Trac Vehicles.

Universal Joints in various sizes for practically all of the motorized equipment used by Ordnance and in many Navy and Aircraft applications.

The extent to which this service to the war effort has grown is evidenced by the fact that Spicer's output is approximately five times that of any pre-war output, with a corresponding increase in employment.

What The Navy Thinks of Spicer

NAVY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR OF NAVAL MATERIAL
FREE PRESS BUILDING
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

12 June 1944
Management and Employees
Spicer Manufacturing Company
Toledo, Ohio

The Chief of the Bureau of Ships has directed that the enclosed despatch be delivered to you.

The Inspector desires to add his personal congratulations.

R. Velz
Commander, USN, Retired
Inspector of Naval Material

TELETYPE

FROM: BUREAU OF SHIPS
TO: THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE SPICER MANUFACTURING COMPANY TOLEDO, OHIO
VIA: INSPECTOR OF NAVAL MATERIAL, USN, DETROIT DISTRICT.
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YOUR EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE OF DUTY IN PRODUCING MATERIAL AND COMPONENTS FOR THE LANDING CRAFT PROGRAM HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE BUILDING YARDS TO EXCEED THE QUOTAS OF LANDING CRAFT SET BY THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF FOR COMPLETION ON 1 JUNE 1944 X THESE LANDING CRAFT WILL PLAY A VITAL PART IN THE SUCCESS OF OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS DURING THIS CRITICAL SUMMER X ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY THE BUREAU OF SHIPS DESIRES TO PASS TO ALL HANDS CONCERNED THE MESSAGE "WELL AND SMARTLY DONE"

SIGNED E. L. COCHRANE
REAR ADMIRAL, USN
CHIEF OF BUREAU OF SHIPS
UNITED STATES NAVY

This War Is Not Yet Won

Ours is the responsibility to work, to save, to buy all the War Bonds we can, to smooth the road THEY must travel that the journey may be made swiftly and the Victory reached soon.

SPICER MANUFACTURING CORP.